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PEPTIDE FRAGMENTS OF MICROBIAL
STRESS PROTEINS AND
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION
MADE THEREOF FOR THE
TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF
INFLAMMATORY DISEASES

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Sir:

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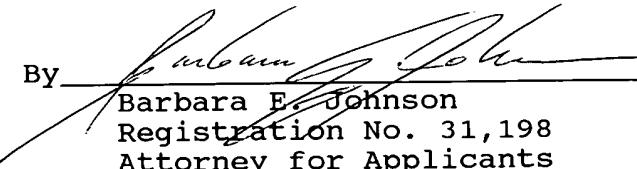
Applicants have distinguished the cited references from the matter claimed in the present Application on pages 1-3, up to and including the fourth paragraph of page 3 of the reply to the Preliminary Examination dated February 12, 1996 in the underlying PCT application. The reply dated February 12, 1996 was deposited with the filing of the present application on September 18, 1996. Pages 1-3 of the reply are enclosed for your convenience.

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